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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated February 3, 2000 be extended for a period of three months from April 3, 2000 to July 3, 2000.

Please charge the total fee, estimated to be \$870.00, to ZymoGenetics, Inc., Deposit Account No. 26-0290. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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